

Portsmouth Foundry
401 Third Street
Portsmouth
Scioto County
Ohio

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HISTORIC AMERICAN BUILDINGS SURVEY

PORTSMOUTH FOUNDRY

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Location: 401 Third Street, Portsmouth, Scioto County, Ohio

Significance: The Portsmouth Foundry is a long-lasting example of vernacular early industrial design in Portsmouth.

Description: This original brick structure is elaborated by simple pilasters supporting a Greek Revival sawtooth corbelled cornice molding. The timber roof trusses on the interior provide a good example of nineteenth-century industrial carpentry.

History: Although the exact date of construction cannot be determined, the building certainly existed by 1836 when it was a foundry. It served that purpose until 1913. It was known as the Portsmouth Foundry and Machine Works from 1872 to 1907.

For more information, see HABS No. OH-2309, the William Hall House.

Source: Miami University Art Museum. Portsmouth: Architecture in an Ohio River Town. Oxford, Ohio, 1982.

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